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Stephen D. Mikesell named Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer for Parks' Office of Historic Preservation

California State Parks Director Rusty Areias announced that Stephen D. Mikesell has been appointed Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer for the department's Office of Historic Preservation.

Mr. Mikesell has worked in the historic preservation field on a full-time basis since 1980. He holds a B.A. in history from Harvard University and an M.A. in history from the University of California, Davis.

He worked at the State Parks Office of Historic Preservation between 1980 and 1984 and as a historic preservation specialist at the California Department of Transportation between 1984 and 1991. Since 1991, he has been a partner at JRP Historical Consulting Services, a Davis, California firm that is a leader in historic preservation planning.

Mr. Mikesell's work has received statewide recognition. In 2000, his report on the history of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge was awarded the top cultural resource report of the year by the California Preservation Foundation. In 2001, his report on the history and historic resources of the military in California was awarded the Governor's Historic Preservation Award.

Mr. Mikesell lives in Davis with his wife Suzanne. He has two children, Michael and Melissa, both of whom are married. Michael lives in Seattle and Melissa in Sacramento.

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